



News Release

Michigan Annual Crop Summary

Michigan's average 2018 corn for grain yield was 153 bushels, down 6 bushels from last year, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of the USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Silage yield, at 17.5 tons per acre, was down 1.0 ton from last year. Both yields were negatively affected by dry conditions during pollination and grain fill.

Soybean yield, at 48 bushels per acre, was up 5.5 bushels from last year.

Sugarbeet yield, at 29.1 tons per acre, was up 3.9 tons per acre from last year. Sugarbeets benefited from late season rains. These same late season rains delayed harvest until early December; the latest season recently.

Dry bean yield in the State averaged 2,400 pounds per acre, a record. Production was 4.64 million hundredweight.

Nationally, corn for grain production in 2018 was estimated at 14.4 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the 2017 estimate. The average yield in the United States was estimated at 176.4 bushels per acre, 0.2 bushel below the 2017 record yield of 176.6 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 81.7 million acres, down 1 percent from the 2017 estimate.

U.S. soybean production in 2018 totaled a record 4.54 billion bushels, up 3 percent from 2017. The average yield per acre was estimated at 51.6 bushels, up 2.3 bushels from 2017, but 0.3 bushel below the record yield in 2016. Harvested area was down 2 percent from 2017 to 88.1 million acres.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Michigan and United States: 2016 - 2018

Commodity	Michigan			United States		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
Beans, dry						
Planted 1,000 acres	210	220	195	1,664	2,097	2,081
Harvested 1,000 acres	208	219	193	1,558	2,023	2,016
Yield.....Pounds	1,920	2,010	2,400	1,842	1,778	1,860
Production.....1,000 cwt	4,002	4,394	4,635	28,703	35,961	37,494
Corn, all						
Planted 1,000 acres	2,400	2,250	2,300	94,004	90,167	89,129
Corn, grain						
Harvested 1,000 acres	2,040	1,890	1,940	86,748	82,733	81,740
Yield.....Bushels	157.0	159.0	153.0	174.6	176.6	176.4
Production..... 1,000 bu	320,280	300,510	296,820	15,148,038	14,609,407	14,420,101
Corn, silage						
Harvested 1,000 acres	340	340	340	6,206	6,385	6,113
Yield.....Tons	19.5	18.5	17.5	20.3	20.0	19.9
Production..... 1,000 tons	6,630	6,290	5,950	126,020	127,434	121,361
Hay, all						
Harvested 1,000 acres	870	870	810	53,185	52,777	52,839
Yield.....Tons	2.71	2.29	2.24	2.52	2.43	2.34
Production..... 1,000 tons	2,357	1,989	1,812	134,082	128,207	123,600
Spearmint						
Harvested 1,000 acres	(D)	(D)	(D)	24.5	22.3	20.8
Yield.....Pounds	(D)	(D)	(D)	131	125	124
Production..... 1,000 lbs	(D)	(D)	(D)	3,208	2,796	2,571
Soybeans						
Planted 1,000 acres	2,070	2,280	2,300	83,453	90,162	89,196
Harvested 1,000 acres	2,060	2,270	2,280	82,706	89,542	88,110
Yield.....Bushels	50.5	42.5	48.0	51.9	49.3	51.6
Production..... 1,000 bu	104,030	96,475	109,440	4,296,496	4,411,633	4,543,883
Sugarbeets						
Planted 1,000 acres	151	144	150	1,163	1,131	1,113
Harvested 1,000 acres	149	143	147	1,126	1,114	1,095
Yield.....Tons	30.8	25.2	29.1	32.8	31.7	30.3
Production..... 1,000 tons	4,589	3,604	4,278	36,920	35,317	33,145

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.